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## Survey unveiled

► *Students and faculty respond to results of chapel program survey.*

**DANA LAMERS**  
religion editor

Hundreds of pages of analysis, opinions, and facts concerning the Chapel Program has been made available for viewing by the Hope Community.

Both the Chaplain's Self-Study report and the Frost Research Center's Student and Faculty Evaluation of the Chapel Programs are on closed reserve in the Vermeulen Room, next to the Provost's office on the second floor of DeWitt.

The Frost Center Report unfolds the results and analysis of a survey given to a randomly selected group of Hope Students during the summer, and written surveys responded to by 80% of Hope's faculty.

The Chaplain's self-study provides background on the mission and history of both Hope College and the Chapel Program, and addresses concerns raised by the Hope College community last spring.

Although the reports are available to all members of the Hope Community, few individuals have read or are aware of the actual reports themselves.

"I don't think it has been publicized enough. I found out about the surveys from a professor who is quite involved," said Noah Dale ('98). "Actually, I plan on reading them soon."

The Frost Center Evaluation of student results found that 94% of the students surveyed described themselves as Christians. Half of these people described themselves as "deeply committed," while nearly all others responded as "somewhat committed."

Out of the deeply committed Christians 58% said Chapel is very important in their lives, while 42% said it is of little or no importance.

Student participation at chapel services continues to be remarkably high, with over half of those surveyed attending weekly services at least once a week, and 42% attending the Sunday evening worship service. The

**more SURVEY on 6**



Anchor photo by Johnathan Muenk

**OOH-RAH:** Odd-Year Pull coach Brent Rowe ('01) encourages sophomore pullers during daily practice. The '01 team lost last year's Pull to an undefeated '00 team. This year's Pull will take place on Saturday, Oct. 3 at the Black River.

## Pullers ready to duel at the river

**BEN DOWNIE**  
staff reporter

After straining through thousands of exercises, running miles while shouting chants, and striving to come together as a team, the '01 and '02 Pull teams wait for the fateful Oct. 3 when the results of their efforts pay off.

"By the middle of the first week you you will know if you have what it takes to pull," said freshman coach Anne Schrock ('00). "If you have it, it's in your blood and no matter how hard it hurts or how much you hate practice

you always come back."

Pull will celebrate 101 years of competition at the Black River on Saturday. The tradition of the event has always been an important part of both the Hope and Holland communities.

"Pull is a great for the community of Holland because it draws in so many people, especially alumni," Schrock said.

Both even and odd year teams saw a significant increase in the number of students who went out for Pull.

"There were more guys that tried out this year than past years," Schrock

said. "Most of them seemed to stick with it early on, which is great."

The odd year team had a similar experience.

"We've had a high turn-out," said sophomore coach Steve Kraseman ('99). "It's been a pleasant surprise."

As they prepare for Saturday, Emily Hutchins ('02) sees herself as being ready.

"I'm really excited; a little nervous too, but more excited," she said.

Emily is the third woman in Hope's history to do the Pull. Last year, the

**more PULL on 9**

## Honoring the Bakker-Gras legacy

**AMANDA BLACK**  
production editor

From Hayrides to formal dances, Anne Bakker-Gras has supervised it all.

Bakker-Gras announced her resignation Tuesday, Sept. 23, effective October 9, during Homecoming.

To the students and faculty, she has played many roles such as advisor, graphic designer, leader, planner, computer expert and friend.

"Anne truly has been the lifeblood

of this campus for the last 12 years," said Jenny Trask ('00), a co-director of SAC. "She has helped me to become a much better leader, woman, and person in general. I have learned so many life skills and lessons that I will always cherish and never forget. She is an outstanding advisor and most importantly a spectacular model and mentor to all."

As advisor to SAC, Bakker-Gras has provided guidance to the award-winning program. She also advises Nykerk, Pull, the Milestone, Orienta-

tion as well as overseeing Greek Life on campus.

Her influence on all of these organizations is seen by students in many ways.

"Almost every student has seen a Kletz event, attended a film, participated in Homecoming parades and Orientation, Pull or Nykerk, as well as the numerous events surrounding the Greek community. Anne's role in each of these was to provide guidance, direction, creativity, energy, and a lot of

**more ANNE on 9**

## Feminism and faith steal Critical Issues' stage

**SARA E LAMERS**  
campusbeat editor

The topic of the 19th annual Critical Issues Symposium, "Feminism and Faith: Implications for Life," will be explored from many angles on Tuesday, Oct. 6 and Wednesday, Oct. 7.

"It is only recently that women's voices have begun to be heard in a number of society's important conversations about them," said Alfredo Gonzales, CIS coordinator and Assistant Provost. "These voices will become more evident in our community as the conversation addresses questions of feminism and faith."

The event will begin on Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. with the keynote address "Listening to Heretics: Patriarchy, Feminism, and Faith." The address will be presented by Allan Johnson, Professor of Sociology at the Hartford College for Women at the University of Hartford, in Dimnent Chapel.

"I think this is a very timely topic with faith issues that are currently being discussed on campus," said Jill Pierson ('00), CIS committee member.

Wednesday's events will include panel discussions, a worship service, and small group discussions. A key-

note address titled "Reflections on Gender, Justice, and Compassion" will be presented by Carter Heyward, professor of theology at Episcopal Divinity School in Cambridge.

"The small group discussions is something new this year," Pierson said. "The idea is to give students time to interact and share what they have gotten from the speakers."

Other panels will touch on everything from women's roles in family to their progression through history.

Speakers for this year's symposium come from a variety of faiths and pro-

fessional vocations, which will provide attendees with a range of outlooks.

"This topic is really so emotional, multi-sided, complex and difficult, and yet it is a very important conversation for us to have not only as a college, but as a church and as a society," Gonzales said.

"Feminism is about giving voice and allowing people to say and feel as they choose," said Dr. Jane Dickie, Director of Women's Studies, and CIS committee member.

Admission is free and the public is invited to attend. All night classes on Oct. 6 and day classes on Oct. 7 will be canceled.



# New lot seeks to curb parking problems

**JULIE GREEN**  
staff reporter

As demands for parking permits increase, it becomes more difficult for students to find parking spaces near where they live.

In response to this need, Hope College is building a new lot at the corner of 9th and Lincoln Streets. This will create another 87 spaces for student and faculty parking.

Public Safety gave out a permit to everyone who requested one this year. "Every college student who wants a permit has a permit," said Duane Terpstra, Director of Public Safety. "We look at about 1.5 vehicles per space."

Currently, there are 23 parking lots, with 700 student spaces, 164 spaces for cottages, and 313 staff

spaces.

Public Safety has been dealing with the parking lot problems for a while. Last year, the lots which used to be regarded as "freshmen only" (lots F, Q, S, and W) became open to all Hope College students.

"There were more freshmen parking than parking spaces," Terpstra said. "[Now] all student spots are open to anybody."

But that doesn't dissolve the problems. Late at night students have the choice of parking far away and walking to where they live or parking illegally, in order to be close.

Illegal parking was a problem for freshmen before all lots became open to them. To counter this an Appeals Board was set up. It

**more PARKING on 10**



Anchor photo by Michael Zuidema

**BUMPER TO BUMPER:** Workers have begun construction on the corner of 9th and Lincoln Streets in hopes to meet the increasing demand for parking spaces.

## Event unites Hope and Holland

**W. HADANEK**  
staff reporter

With bright smiles, balloons, and warm words of welcome, the city of Holland and Hope College celebrated their long-standing relationship at the 33rd annual Community Day Saturday, Sept. 26.

Community Day debuted in October of 1966 as a Community Ox Roast held in conjunction with the Hope College centennial celebration. Like the first event, which was the idea of former Mayor Nelson Bosman, Community Day provides an opportunity for Holland and Hope to come together.

The day's festivities began with

a picnic in Pine Grove at 11 a.m. and a demonstration by the El Ballet Folklorico Estudiantil. Music for the picnic was also provided by the Holland American Legion Band.

"This is the second time I've been to Community Day," said Melissa LaBarge ('01). "Besides the great turkey sandwiches here, I think this is a great way for Hope students and the community to mingle. Sometimes I think the community feels isolated from the college and this is a great way to make them feel welcome on campus."

Sarita Hoekzema ('02) also enjoyed the festivities.

"I think it's really festive with the music and dancing and the food is

pretty good too," she said.

Nine-year-old Kiely King was one of the dancers to perform at the Community Day picnic.

"I think the crowd really liked our performance," King said. "When we first started dancing, no one was watching, but the more we danced, the more people started coming over to watch. I was nervous, but I really like performing here and wearing the costumes. I hope we get asked to do it again because it was really fun to get involved."

Those who attended the picnic also received a ticket to the football game against Illinois Wesleyan University.

**more DAY on 10**



Anchor photo by Michael Zuidema

**LOCK UP:** Unlocked or improperly locked bikes are obvious targets for bike thieves. Public Safety encourages students to take proper precautions to ensure their bikes remain safe. If your bike is stolen, please contact Public Safety.

## Rash of bike thefts raises concern among students

**JULIE GREEN**  
staff reporter

Bike thefts have always been a problem at Hope College. This year is no different.

A year ago, there were two bike thefts reported in September, and this year there have been ten reported in September already.

"There are more [thefts] than we like this year," said Duane Terpstra, Director of Public Safety. "What the people are generally going after are mountain bikes."

Most of the bike thefts occur when bikes aren't locked up, or when they are locked up poorly. Thieves go for the bikes which are easiest to steal, ones which have the front tire locked up, are locked to a sign, or are locked with a small chain lock.

If just the rim is locked to the rack, they steal the frame and leave the front tire locked to the rack, Terpstra said. They will later steal a front tire from another bike. To prevent this, Terpstra says to lock the frame to the lock.

The bikes which are locked to sign posts are another easy target. All that needs to be done is to loop the chain back over the post, which isn't difficult to do.

"Small chain locked [bikes] get stolen," Terpstra said. Boat cutters can easily cut through the chain.

Terpstra has three recommendations for students who keep a bike on campus.

First, when a bike is not in use, "keep it in a bicycle storage room, or bring it in the bedroom," he said.

Second, said Terpstra, "lock it with a U-lock." U-locks can't be easily cut through and are more secure than small chain locks.

And third, lock the U-lock around the frame and the rack. Often the front rim is locked to the frame with a U-lock, so the front tire isn't moveable. But in situations like this, "they were just carried away," Terpstra said.

To help prevent bikes from being stolen, Public Safety will compound any bike that they find on or around campus that isn't locked up.

"If we find a bike against a tree or a wall, we feel we are doing a favor to the student by impounding the bike," Terpstra said. "If it is on campus, there is a high probability that it is a student's."

Another good thing to do is to register the bike at Public Safety.

"We are trying to encourage everybody to register their bikes," Terpstra said.

## March raises violence awareness

**TIFFANY RIPPER**  
staff reporter

For Christine Trihn ('00), the "Take Back the Night" march was about more than candles and chants. Trihn's stand against violence results from her own personal experiences.

The march was held on Thursday, Sept. 24 to raise campus awareness of sexual assault and domestic violence.

Trihn, who spoke at the event, is a member of the Women's Issues Organization, which organized the march. She is also involved in Cam-

pus Assault Awareness Response Education and a Sexual Harassment Policy Advocate. Through these organizations, she is trying to help the campus become aware of issues, such as domestic violence.

"I don't think that much of the campus really wants to be aware," she said. "Much of the campus isn't very receptive."

The march was one way Trihn hopes to reach students.

When Trihn spoke at the march, she told fellow students of her past experience with domestic violence. She recalled the morning of her third or fourth birthday when she

received a small, wooden piano as a gift.

"That night my parents got into a fight, and my dad broke my brand-new piano and used the nail-ridden boards to beat my mom," Trihn said. "I can't imagine what it would have been like to grow up with that kind of chaos on a regular basis. The experience of going through it even once was traumatic enough to have been indelibly ingrained in my memory."

This experience has helped Trihn speak to others about domestic violence.

**more MARCH on 10**

## Science award will aid department

**MIKE ZUIDEMA**  
editor-in-chief

Hope's science department was strengthened when the National Science Foundation presented the college with an "Award for the Integration of Research and Education."

Hope was one of 10 liberal arts institutions to receive \$500,000 over the next three years.

"To put it in a realistic context, if we were in the final ten teams nationally, might be equivalent," said James Gentile, Dean of Natural Sciences. "To be included in that 'elite ten,' that really affirms what we're doing."

Hope will use the funding in four general areas: expanding research experiences in science and math,

provide science research experiences to students who plan to become secondary teachers, enable visiting scholars to engage in student-faculty research, and join high school teachers to explore approaches for both high school and college students.

"Hope really started the original premise of undergraduates doing research work," Gentile said.

Gentile hopes that the grant will have a wide-ranging effect on everyone on the campus and in the community. His goal is to stress the importance for knowledge of science in everyday life.

"It's not targeted only at the kids, but science literacy for the general public," Gentile said. "The impact is going to have a very broad scope."

Hope has been considered strong in science by several different organizations. A 1995 survey by the Science Citation Index ranked Hope fourth among liberal arts institutions for the number of faculty research publications from 1981 to 1992 and fifth overall for the publications' impact.

A report earlier this year by Franklin & Marshall College placed Hope 23rd nationally among baccalaureate colleges as a source of future Ph.D. Recipients from 1986 to 1995.

"During (Gentile's) time the college has received very nice grants," said President John Jacobson. "It's a great honor, yet it's not without its precedence in the past."

The grant will provide funds both

**more SCIENCE on 10**



# Hope professor to play with Grand Rapids symphony

MATT COOK  
staff reporter

For the first performance in the Casual Classics series, the Grand Rapids Symphony will feature Hope violin Professor Mihai Craioveanu in concert on Saturday, Oct. 3 at 8 p.m. at the Knickerbocker Theatre.

The idea behind the Casual Classics series is to make classical music more accessible to audiences.

"It's a very special series because, unlike our classical series, the conductor talks about the music from the stage," said Cindy Morgan, Grand Rapids Symphony Spokesperson. "It's more intimate. The audience feels more connected because they're closer to the stage and can see the musicians."

Directed by associate director John Varineau, the program contains four pieces: Mozart's *Overture to Don Giovanni*, Henri Vieuxtemps's *Violin Concerto No. 5*, and Beethoven's *Romance No. 2 for Violin* and *Symphony No. 8*.

The middle two works will feature Craioveanu.

*Overture to Don Giovanni* has been called by some to be the greatest musical work in the Western World.

Although generally unknown by non-musicians, Vieuxtemps (1820-1881) played a role in defining violin playing during the romantic era,

especially in Russia. *Concerto No. 5*, is one long movement with a cadenza at the end.

Beethoven's work, the *Romance No. 2 for Violin* is a shorter piece, but it is melodious and animated and displays one of his longer works. *Symphony No. 8*, his second to last symphony, has three movements which serve as an example of the romanticism in Beethoven's later work.

"It's an opportunity for those unfamiliar with classical music to become more familiar," Morgan said. "It's a great introduction to the symphony."

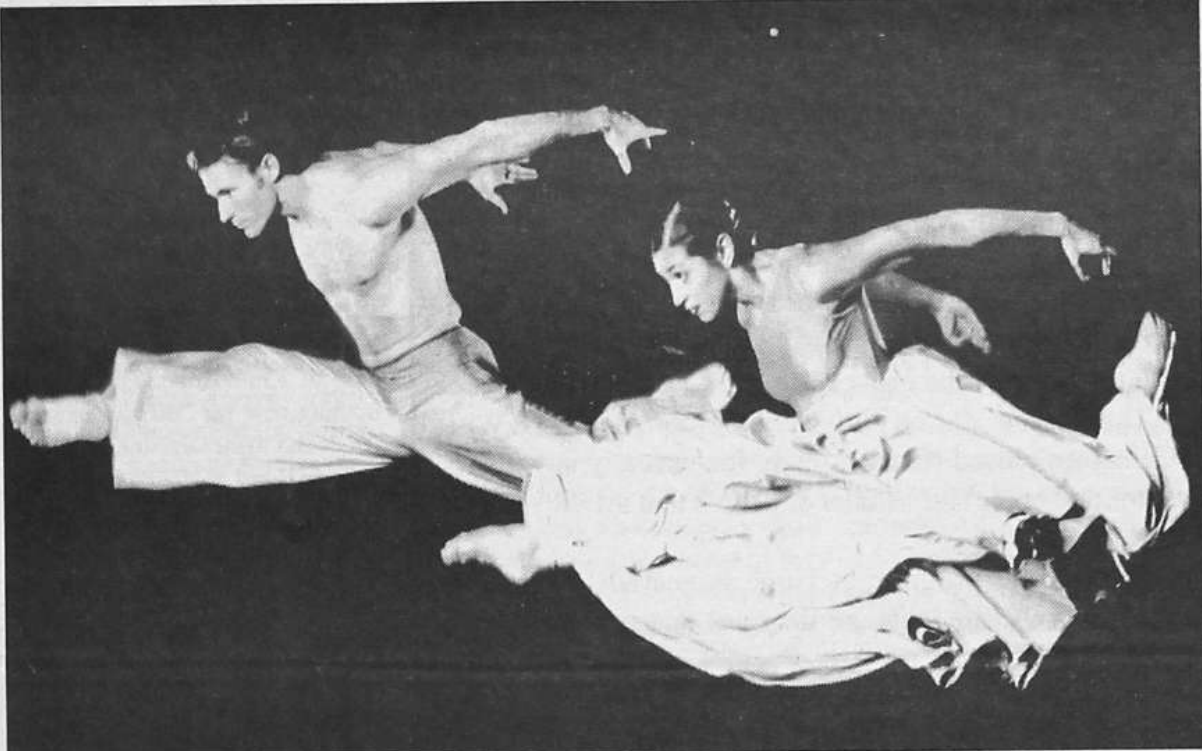
Craioveanu has had a very distinguished career as a soloist, in addition to his posts as associate professor of violin at Hope College and director of the Holland Chamber Orchestra.

He has performed all over the world at places like Barcelona, New York City, and his native Romania. He has also appeared on NBC, ABC, and CBS, as well as several foreign TV and radio networks.

Saturday, his career will continue with a showcase of his talents at the Knickerbocker Theatre.

"We want to encourage (people) to come in their corduroys," Morgan said.

Tickets will cost between \$16 and \$24. They can be purchased at the door, at the Symphony office, or through TicketMaster.



Anchor photo courtesy of Public Relations  
**HIGH FLYING:** Tina Brock and Jeffery Hancock of River North Dance Company perform "Turning Tides." The dance kicked off the first Great Performance Series event of the year.

## River Dance moves into Hope

AJ CAMERON  
staff reporter

The River North Dance Company, sponsored by the Great Performance Series, was presented on Monday, Sept. 28 and Tuesday, Sept. 29 in the DeWitt Center main theatre.

The company has received many rave reviews.

The first piece was energy-filled, jazz style dancing. The flashy costumes and music set the stage for the entire program to come. Much of the dancing, from the very beginning, was passionate and seductive.

The second dance, *Perfida*, had

the audience laughing hysterically at a love triangle where one woman danced with three different men.

Two of the men actually rolled across the floor fighting over the woman, while the other was so totally engrossed in himself and his dancing that he didn't even notice.

Each scene was very bodily expressive, and incorporated acting into the dance, which had the audience totally captivated.

"I had so much fun," said Jyn McNamera ('01). "The one before intermission moved me because of the beat and the intensity of the song. I was getting chills."

The stories ranged from some very deep interpretive pieces to a

swing dancing scene.

"I enjoyed it and thought that it was very well done," said Todd Corstange ('01). "I enjoyed the Captain Tenacity piece because it made me laugh."

That particular dance had a Superman theme, and a velcro wall on the stage that "Captain" would periodically throw himself upon.

"It made the performance more fun," Corstange said. "It was a lot different than I expected."

"This has seriously given me a new interest in dance," Jennifer Kaufmann ('01) said. "It was really entertaining and funny. You didn't have to know everything about dance to know what was going on."

## Knicker film series continues

MEREDITH CARE  
staff reporter

Students in search of fun and different evening activities may find what they are looking for in Knickerbocker Theatre's annual Fall Film Series.

The second film of the series is the German film, *Beyond Silence*, which started Friday, Sept. 25, and plays through Thursday, Oct. 1. The series will continue with the French film, *The Promise (La Promesse)*, which runs Friday, Oct. 2, through Thursday, Oct. 8.

*Beyond Silence* tells the story of Lara, the daughter of two deaf parents. Her parents speak in sign language with each other and with her,

but their communication with the outside world is limited. Lara grows up acting as her parents' translator, until one day she discovers her love of music.

She decides to leave her parents because she does not think they can comprehend her musical interests, and she pursues a musical education. Lara remains away from her family until a tragedy brings her back home.

The film received a 1997 Academy Award nomination for Best Foreign Language Film.

The Fall Film Series at the Knickerbocker continues with another award-winning film, *The Promise*.

This film is the story of 15-year-

old Igor and his father, Roger, an unemployed factory worker who now makes his living by exploiting illegal immigrants. Roger is training Igor to follow in his footsteps, but Igor makes the decision to leave his childhood behind and betray his father in order to determine his own morals and beliefs.

*The Promise* illustrates the progression that every young adult goes through on his way toward independence, responsibility, and adulthood.

Show times for both *Beyond Silence* and *The Promise* are at 7 and 9 p.m. each evening at the Knickerbocker Theatre. Tickets are \$3.50 for students and senior citizens, and \$4.50 for adults.

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| Thursday<br>1   | Friday<br>2<br>*Swing Dancing Lessons, 9 p.m. Maas Auditorium.<br>*Creative Dating, Dave Coleman. Phelps Dining Hall, 8:30 a.m.<br>*SAC movie "Good Will Hunting" 7:00, 9:30, & 12:00<br>*David Smith: Medals for Dishonor, Depree Art Center through Nov. 7. | Saturday<br>3<br>*SAC movie "Good Will Hunting" 7:00, 9:30, & 12:00                   |
| Sunday<br>4<br>*Margaret Kennedy-Dygas, soprano, Hope College Faculty Recital, 4 p.m. Wichers Auditorium. | Monday<br>5<br>*Do your homework. Early.  | Tuesday<br>6<br>*Critical Issues Symposium keynote address, 6:30 p.m. Dimnent Chapel. |

Come to '01 Oration Auditions!

Tuesday Oct. 6  
Peale B50  
5-7 pm

Wednesday Oct. 7  
Winants Aud.  
6:30-9 pm

Questions? Call Kelly (x6769) or Katie (x6567)



## our voice.

## An Unexcused Absense

The issues between the Hope College campus and the Chapel program are still burning. Or are they?

The Chapel program has been under fire for many months and these issues are seemingly coming to a head with the recent release of the survey of the students and faculty done by the Frost Research Center this summer.

The survey sits on the second floor of the DeWitt Center on closed reserve, ready for virtually anyone to come and read. The number of people that actually know this is slim.

The Chapel program at Hope is geared toward the student body. Students are the ones that pack Dimnent Chapel four times a week. Faculty does sporadically attend Chapel, but the majority of regulars are students.

Which raises the question of why students are unaware of what is going on. If there are people upset with the job that the Chaplain's staff is doing, then students have the right to know about it.

Faculty have been informed that the survey is available for examination. Faculty have also been quick to give their opinions on the job that the Chaplain's staff is doing. And while the input of the faculty is important, a large part of the input should come from students.

Four hundred students were interviewed for the survey. This input is important, but it should not end there. A Chaplain's assessment team was formed and a forum was held for those who were unable to meet with the team during interview times. But the majority of those who spoke were faculty. Again, the forum was not well publicized and a large portion of the student body was unaware.

The examination of the Chapel program has been treated as a secret operation. The information is public, but no effort has been made to educate the majority of Hope College.

The Chaplain program is under examination. It has been for several months, unofficially and officially. For the staff to best serve the needs of the campus, and most importantly the student body, student input is needed, and students need to make their voices heard.

The college too often excludes the input of the student body on major issues. This issue involves the student body too much for the administration and Board of Trustees to ignore.

## meet the press.

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## A WORD FROM THE EDITOR...

## The Future of the Anchor

The Anchor is moving, however slowly, into the new era of technology.

The Anchor will be soon be debuting their own web site, with the help of KnowHope. The move is nothing new for "official newspapers" and even Division I schools, the step is just another move toward the 21st century.

This new innovation is starting out small. The staff is still concentrating on the hard copy side of things, but our Production Editor Amanda Black has been diligently learning the necessary baby steps required for our page.

Perhaps what I like most about the web site is that it's not our page, in the sense of the Anchor staff, but our page in terms of Hope students and faculty.

The site will offer all the same articles that the newspaper will offer, minus the pictures, advertise-

ments, and other clever entities that we come up with.

The site will offer students a chance to read the "paper" at their own leisure. Rather than feeling the obligation to pick up a paper and sift through it, readers will have the opportunity to read when they have time.

Readers will also be able to e-mail direct comments to the author of any particular article. This will also aid in writing letters to the editor to me. If a student or professor has a bone to pick, they can take the opportunity to e-mail the staff right there, rather than mulling over it.

The original idea for some sort of web site, came towards the end of last year. I couldn't understand why other schools could maintain one, but we couldn't.

I enlisted our computer-happy advisor Tim Boudreau to help, and

## your voice.

## Students object to involvement of Holland police

To the Editor:

It's no secret that in the past few weeks the Holland Police Department has been involved in breaking up off-campus parties much more than it needs to be. We are not saying that these parties should not be broken up, but we are protesting the manner in which the police have intervened.

For example, a police officer told a student that she did not need to worry about the Minor in Possession (MIP) that she was being given because "all Hope students are rich and all they have to do is pay a fine." Several students also complained about unnecessary verbal and physical harassment by the police officers involved. At one traditional party location the police "stopped by" simply because it was a Saturday night and they may have been hosting a party. There was no

noise or disturbance reports from neighbors or passerby's with which they could justify their invasion of private property. The only clue the police had, was given to them by a Public Safety officer when he "happened" to drive by an off-campus corner where the police were questioning two students that had already stated that they had been drinking at another off-campus location. Does Public Safety have the authority to intervene in something that was clearly an off-campus matter and had no connection to Hope College?

Several students have observed Public Officers ignoring calls which were obviously more important than handling out MIPs. These calls include Driving Under the Influence and traffic accidents. We also believe that the Holland Police are dispatching too many officers to disband one party. At one time there

were six cars present at one house to give out 20 MIPs.

We believe that the Holland Police Department is not showing students and citizens of this city proper respect. In addition, they are not efficiently using the resources made available to them by the taxpayers. In the big scheme of things, police attention should be directed towards more dangerous and life-threatening activities than underage drinking in a controlled environment.

Shivaughn Myers ('01)  
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 Emily Thielk ('02)  
 Christine Duff ('01)

## Junior expresses support for Governor John Engler

To the Editor:

As a junior at Hope College, the conservative Christian atmosphere of our liberal arts institution and the Holland community has been an essential aspect of my experience. Part of the educational college experience is the amount of interesting and informing speakers that visit Hope College each year.

It has been rumored that Democratic Gubernatorial Candidate Geoffrey Fieger will be visiting Hope College's campus in October. This is a man that was quoted in the Detroit Free Press as describing Jesus Christ as, "just some goofball who got nailed to the cross." This is just one of many offensive comments Fieger has made regarding such groups as Christians, specific Catholic leaders, Jewish rabbis, and

other respected members of the community. Fieger has also been quoted stating, "in 2000 years we've probably made somebody who is the equivalent of Elvis into God, so I see no reason why not to believe that in 2000 years Elvis will be God."

Community members and students alike should be concerned with what Fieger believes in and what he stands for. It worries me that people who hear Fieger's charismatic speaking style may accept his agenda without being critical of his views and opinions that he rarely expresses.

In contrast, Governor John Engler has led Michigan in reform, while respecting the opinions, beliefs, and values of others. Since Governor Engler has taken office, the state unemployment rate has

dropped to 3.5%, lowest in 40 years. Furthermore, Michigan has become the number one state in moving people from welfare checks to pay checks. Michigan has also become the nation's leader in school funding.

Geoffrey Fieger has offended many people, including myself. As a Christian I can not support a candidate who has mocked my beliefs and values, as well as those of other religions. It is imperative that informed citizens are critical of a candidate's actions, views, and opinions. That is how we responsibly choose our elected officials. That is why I will vote to reelect Governor John Engler.

Clinton Randall ('00)



Michael Zuidema

he basically took it from there. He was the one who negotiated the use of KnowHope and he was the one that squelched the fears of the administration.

Computing Information Technology handled the training, and Amanda took it from there.

I'm hoping that web site will increase readership and ultimately increase student participation and interest on all fronts.

While the staff hopes that readers will still take the time to secure their own hard copy of the newspaper, we realize that students today probably spend more time with a computer than with a newspaper or book. And, perhaps that will make us better as well.

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## GUEST COLUMN

Sally Smits

## Opus expansion

Opus — a work or composition, a musical composition, a one of the compositions of a composer as numbered, according to date of publication.

Opuscle — a small work, a literary or musical work of small size.

The definitions of Opus are expanding.

Each year, with new editors and a new mix on staff, Opus changes its shape and works in new ways. This year, more than change, Opus is going to open its boundaries and blur its edges.

Entering this year as editor, I already knew the preconceived notions of Opus from years before.

And even the literal definition is going to have to change a little. (Like a good English major with a dictionary, I did actually look it up, and now no one has a reason to say they don't know what an "Opus" is.)

With our tremendous staff and energy this year, Opus is going to exceed its literal definition, and we will certainly become more than expected.

As a staff, we'll be taking on new projects, new compositions, and including more and more student work. In the next nine months, I hope that Opus becomes the spotlight and the support for Hope students' creativity, as well as a safe haven for the arts.

We're expanding to four

magazines and cramming all those pages full of everything true and solid and fabulous that is being written and displayed here. The first submission deadline is Oct. 8, and we're set to collect all good writings and such artistic ventures.

We're holding more readings to highlight student voices and music. These are designed to be a stage for the writers, a display, and a connection for listeners. Though you may have missed the first one last night, do not despair. Opus will have more than you'll know what to do with. We plan to smother Holland with our fine arts.

And of course, at the end of the year, we're going to celebrate the fine arts again in the glitz and style of the Beaux Arts Ball.

There is so much creativity, so much talent, so much art on this campus, and this year, Opus will be here to make certain it is not overlooked.

Some things are uncertain in the future, but it only leaves room for more ideas and more innovations. Opus is ready, and the year is waiting.

*This semester the Anchor will feature guest columns from different student organizations. Any student organization wishing to run a guest column should contact the Anchor at 395-7877 or ANCHOR@hope.edu.*

## Student encourages integration of faith and learning

To the Editor:

To avoid the malaise of anti-intellectualism, we need to do as the great American existentialist writer Walker Percy suggests: Be on to something. What we need to be on at Hope College is an environment, which encourages the integration of faith and learning. As a student, I do not feel that the integration of faith and learning has occurred over the course of the chaplain staff tenure. I do not see evidence of the theme for which the college's philosophy statement originated (integrating faith in learning). If the chaplain staff argues that this philosophy has been and is occurring, why don't I see the results meeting

the diverse religious and spiritual needs of the entire student body and faculty? The only evident component that I see on campus that addresses the possibility of integrating faith and learning on a profound intellectual level, exists through the organization known as Refuge in Spiritual Expression (RISE).

If you value any type of education at all, you should ask yourself the question of what is more important: fascism at the expense of the student body, or is it numbers at the expense of anti-intellectualism among students. Now I don't dislike the chaplain's staff by any means, and I'm not saying I dislike the totality of their message in its entirety. What I am saying is that in

order for me to feel that I am enrolled in an environment that promotes the integration of faith and learning, I would like to be in a setting that allows for the discussion of diversity within the context of spiritual and religious faith. I need to be in an environment that allows me to increase the chaplain staff is providing me with these opportunities. So where do I turn to avoid the malaise of an environment that is fostering anti-intellectualism among students? Where can I chat with students, faculty, and outside resources about issues I would not find in the context of a 20-minute chapel session? RISE.

Matt Simons ('99)

## Student questions motives behind declining ribbons

To the Editor:

At lunchtime on Thursday, I helped hand out purple ribbons, which are a symbol of the protest of violence against women, and I was appalled at the number of people who refused to take the ribbons I offered them. Even with all the work that various organizations on campus are doing to promote awareness of the injustices that are still occurring in society today, people still refuse to accept the responsibility that comes with being

a member of any community. When you do not speak up against injustice, your silence supports it. When you do not show up at a march in protest of injustice, your absence condones it. Those of you who attended the Take Back the Night March know I shared my own experience with domestic violence, and I want to thank all of you for coming out that night. Without your presence and support, I would not have been able to speak out about my own story. And that's what the ribbons and the March are all about.

When we show support for the fight against violence, we also support those who have survived it. I feel that all you who wore a ribbon did so, in part, for me. And all of you who refused to take a ribbon...well, a part of you did that against me. "If I don't take one, I'm going to look like a bad guy, aren't I?" I guess that's one reason to wear one. But isn't a better question to ask yourself: "Why wouldn't I take a ribbon?"

Christine J. Trinh ('00)

## Hope Democrat seeks to end misconceptions of Fieger

To the Editor:

Over the past couple of days I have been struck by two thoughts as I toured campus in an effort to register students to vote: the voter apathy on campus and the misunderstanding of Democratic gubernatorial candidate Geoffrey Fieger.

I was disappointed with the fact that so many students did not even realize that there is an election on November 3. Maybe I am too idealistic, but I believe that college students should be one of the most knowledgeable groups about the

issue and events that shape what kind of world we will have in the future. I tend to think that the office of governor would be one of those issues that we should be concerned about because of the hierarchy of state government. I also would think that the election of a Congressman who is our link to Washington would concern people.

The common misconceptions about Fieger result from the slanderous commercials sponsored by Governor John Engler. The quotes that are used in these commercials were taken out of context. I encour-

age everyone to read an unbiased account of Fieger and examine the issues he stands behind. I am proud to say that I support this fighter for the people, if not only for his stance on a number of issues, but also because of the unacceptable alternative, Engler.

I would just like to encourage everyone to become informed citizens by reading up on the candidates to make knowledgeable decisions on November 3.

Marc Arnoys ('99)  
Hope Democrats

## Hope Democrat critiques Engler's efforts to improve Michigan

To the Editor:

As the general election comes closer and closer, there seems to be a misconception about Governor John Engler: that he cares about the people in this state. All one has to do is to look at his record on any issue, roads, education, or the environment to find the truth.

Since Engler took office, the environment has suffered greatly. Between 1991 and 1995, toxic waste has increased 9% to over 325 million pounds. Michigan now imports garbage from other states, to the point where 15% of our landfills are

filled with their garbage.

Michigan has the tenth highest emission of toxic chemicals into the air, water and land in the country. We release the most chemicals in any state that have been linked to reproductive problems, including birth defects.

Finally, Michigan has the third worst record of enforcing clean water laws in the nation - 44% of our major sewage and industrial plants were in non-compliance with clean water laws.

Polls show that people are concerned with the roads, and for good reason. Yet Engler does nothing.

Michigan ranks 50th in country (dead last) for capital investment in our roads. The governor spends just \$7.29 per 1,000 vehicles, down from \$10.50 in 1990 (the last year of a Democratic administration) and nearly half of the national average, \$13.28.

Michigan ranks 48th in the country in highway spending as a percentage of total government spending. According to the County Road Association of Michigan, the roads cost each family \$118 annually for vehicle repairs, wasted gas and tire wear.

Everyone knows about Engler's

dislike for public education, culminating in his veto of more than \$300 million in school aid just days prior to the 1997-98 school year.

In 1995 he led the charge to eliminate teacher certification by allowing the use of non-certified teachers when certified ones were available.

Just this summer he encouraged corporate and political leaders to invest in charter schools, not public schools, claiming they are "fully funded." In the last three years, Engler has cut adult education programs to less than one-fourth of their previous numbers.

Engler is not a friend to this people of the state. Time after time he has voted against the people, only to further his political interests.

We as a state have been fooled enough. Do not be fooled again. Do not be fooled by the slick and misleading advertisements that you will see. In order to protect this state and ourselves, we must vote Fieger/Agee this November.

Marcus Brisbo ('01)  
Hope Democrats

## Student denounces the re-election of Governor Engler

To the Editor:

Walking around campus recently I have noticed that the amount of trash has increased significantly. No, I don't mean cigarette butts and paper cups, but something far more polluting, Engler for Governor signs.

At first I thought that the few stray signs were nothing more than a random occurrence, perhaps left

by some vandals, but when I began to realize there was "organized" support for the re-election of our neo-nazi governor, the bile began to rise in my throat.

Could it be that my fellow students really support a man who has caused such irreparable damage to the disadvantaged citizens in my state?

How can one ignore the fact that Engler has literally abandoned so

many here in Michigan? Through his efforts in closing state-funded mental institutions, Engler has succeeded in moving over 2,700 mental patients into prisons. What's more, Engler succeeded in tax shifting from property taxes (which he generously lowered) to an increased sales tax and gas tax.

It does not take a genius to understand the significance of these actions. As a good Republican,

Engler was only doing his duty: decreasing taxes on the upper and middle classes, and asking the lower class and disadvantaged few to make up for it. Perhaps I am the only student on campus with a heart that bleeds for these people, but I find that preferable to not having a heart at all.

So please, Hope students, come November 3rd, try not to ignore the needs of the thousands that Engler

has tried to systematically destroy, and vote for a human.

Vote for Geoffrey Fieger, and end the reign of our fascist trickster.

Thad Hackworth ('00)



SURVEY from I

Gathering, at least once a month. "I think the attendance at chapel speaks highly of the program and it speaks for itself. If you don't like it, go somewhere else," said Tawny Brinson ('00). "It doesn't matter where you get God, as long as you get Him."

Believer vs. Believer

James Gentile, Dean of Natural Sciences, took the time to read through the studies and was especially struck by one conclusion that was made.

A summary of student results read:

"Most differences of opinions are not between believers and unbelievers, but between devoted Christians

who disagree on the effectiveness of the Chapel Programs in recent years."

"That being said, these kind of arguments are due to offense to personal faith," Gentile said.

The results also show that while students generally believe that the chapel programs are effective in accomplishing their objectives, "they are significantly less positive in their view of the ability of the chaplain's office to establish productive relationships with people who hold a variety of social, political, and theological views."

Those who noted the chapel programs as "ineffective" or "extremely

ineffective," are most likely to be upperclassman females and they are less likely to attend chapel frequently and are more

likely to be Catholic, while less likely to belong to evangelical or Reformed church.

Faculty results

Survey results differ greatly between students and faculty

"There is resounding student approval of needs being met," said Kathleen Arnold, Operations Manager of the Physical Plant and Hope alumnus, after reading the surveys. "There is a larger negative voice in the faculty."

Faculty participation in chapel is at only 14% on a weekly basis, and 67% of faculty rarely or never attend. Many faculty explained their less frequent attendance of chapel with disagreements with the style of worship, inclusivity issues, and separation between chapel programs and academics.

Faculty members are also, "much more negative about the interactions the Chaplain's office has with faculty, and they are extremely negative in their assessment of the office's relationships with people who hold differing social, political, and theological views."

Many also expressed written concerns about the quality of relationships between the Chaplain's office staff and faculty members.

"I read the surveys and the Frost Report was thorough," said Curtis Gruenler, assistant professor of English, "But one thing that I found in-

teresting that wasn't commented on (in the survey) was that the two items that differed most between

student and faculty opinions was how well the Chaplains have established relationships with faculty. The students were not aware of the faculty's viewpoint. This proves that the faculty has not been bad-mouthing the chaplains and have been keeping opinions to themselves."

The overall perception of Chaplain's office was discussed by the Dean of Chapel Ben Patterson in a section of the Chaplain's self-study entitled, "Chaplain's view on

challenges to the Ministry."

The Chaplains were unavailable for comment.

| Theological Perspectives of Hope Faculty |       |
|--|-------|
| Very liberal                             | 4.9%  |
| liberal                                  | 30.9% |
| middle of the road                       | 34%   |
| conservative                             | 22.8% |
| very conservative                        | .6%   |
| no response                              | 6.8%  |

The Chaplain staff noted that they may be "perceived by some as unfriendly in-hospitable,

and unresponsive."

They gave several reasons for this perception such as: the chaplain's job is student oriented, committee work is kept at a bare minimum, a lack of administrative and technological support, and chapel's evangelical style. They also "confessed to struggling with anger and hurt over what is perceived as hostility and indifference."

Standing Firm

The Life of the Mind

In my religion class we leanned about the idea of Election...




by: ANDREW LOTZ

So I decided to get a jump on the primaries.




Seen & Heard


An evaluation team has been created to help the Chaplain's office better understand the students' needs. How do you feel the Chaplain's office is doing?




"I don't go to chapel. I've disagreed with how they've handled one of my friend's problem. It wasn't in her best interest. They didn't know the whole story behind the problems and sent her in the wrong direction."  
—Shannon Kenny ('00)




"I enjoy chapel. I get out of it, what I need to get out of it. They're meeting my needs."  
—Dan Lam ('01)



"I think a lot of things could be changed, a lot of people complain about variety. A lot of my friends get tired of going because it's so repetitive. It's really sad because it's such a big part of this school."  
—Tobi Hill ('01)



"I don't go to chapel. I'm sleeping in the morning—my first class is at noon. I'm not paying that much attention to the situation right now."  
—Andrew Jamieson ('01)



"I only attended chapel twice last year. I'm just not much for the services. People have been talking to me about what they think, but as for me, I don't really know."  
—James Schirmer ('01)



The chaplain staff upheld their position on issues that they were questioned and criticized for last semester.

"Everybody and everything can always work for improvement, but we cannot compromise what the gospel of Jesus Christ teaches," Arnold said. Our desire is to see Hope College unified under the banner of the historic Christian faith. However, there are two chief instances where we see a theological chasm between us and a portion of the college community. These are religious pluralism and homosexuality."

Pluralism was explained in the report "cut the heart out of faith, the utter uniqueness of the person and work of Jesus Christ."

"We think it was very sad and disastrous," the report said, "that there are members of the Hope College community, who are professing Christ and proponents of religious pluralism."

Chaplain's also stood firmly on their belief that homosexual practice is a sin, based on the teaching of the Bible and as it is the official position of the Reformed Church in America (CA). They again expressed concern over the beliefs and behavior of Hope College, especially in the use of a faculty member advising a Bible Study leader to embrace her homosexuality as a God-given gift and strong faculty support of GLOBE (Gay and Lesbian and Bisexual Equality).

"Our motivation in these concerns, our deepest desire, is to uphold the holiness of God's name and to care for the precious lives of students en-

don't think I can do that anymore. It's very sad."

Indifference

Amidst much of the conflict the faculty experiences, the majority of the students on campus are unaware of the depth of the problem.

"We had a big discussion in my religion class after I mentioned the forum that took place last week," said Melanie Hall ('01). "No one knew there was a forum or about the surveys. People had no idea that this was a problem. They thought it would take care of itself."

Christopher Poest ('00) wrote a letter to President Jacobson in support of the chapel program that was indexed in an Appendix in the Chaplain's Self-Study.

"In one of my classes one of the students brought up the surveys, but I hadn't been aware (that they were available for viewing)," he said. "I got the

FACT•FACT•FACT•FACT

- Conservative faculty are more likely to attend chapel services, than their colleagues who are liberal or middle of the road.
- Over half of Hope students attend weekly chapel services; 42% attend The Gathering at least once a month.
- The strongest supporters of the Chapel program tend to be 1st or 2nd year students, belong to an Evangelical or Reformed denomination, and female.
- Faculty gives the Chaplain's office high marks for reaching out effectively to students. They are much more negative about the interactions the Chaplain's office has with faculty, and they are extremely negative in their assessment of the office's relationship with people who hold differing social, political, and theological views.

trusted to us," the report read. "Jesus said, 'If anyone causes one of these little ones who believe in me to sin, it would be better for him to be thrown into the sea with a large millstone tied around his neck.' We think the issues we have raised have a 'millstone' significance."

able for viewing), he said. "I got the general sense that most people were shocked anything was happening, they felt

"The comment that was most upsetting to me was the one that talked of tying a millstone around the neck," said Professor of Psychology and Director of Women's studies, Jane Dickie.

"Contrary to what many may have expected I have encouraged students to attend chapel, in order to be supportive of their spiritual journeys. I

Hope's mission Many people question the mission statement of Hope College, "to offer with recognized excellence, aca-



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Jon Brown

Standing Firm

The review of the chapel program by students and faculty offer a variety of opinions and thoughts on both the chapel services and the chaplains. I am encouraged by the positive reviews given by the students, but I am quite troubled by the review given by the faculty. The obvious hostility shown has forced me to review for myself the situation. In response to this review, I can only appeal to two things.

First of all, that the mission of Hope College, is to provide an atmosphere for learning in the "historic Christian faith".

Hope College as an institution, not only recognizes Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior, but bases the mission of the school on that fact.

Also, the teaching of Jesus is that there is only one way to heaven, through Him. Anything opposed to this would not be in accordance with His teaching, or

the historic Christian faith. The chapel program has given the students of Hope College an accurate portrait of the teaching of Jesus, and the message they present is not theirs, but the message of Jesus in the gospel.

I can only thank the Chaplain's department for sticking to the message of Jesus, in a post-modern culture. I can speak from experience, that the chapel program has allowed me, both through encouragement and intellectual challenge, to strengthen my walk with the Lord and rely on the teaching of Jesus.

I know the Lord more intimately now than I did four years ago, and the Chapel Department has encouraged me in that growth. While worship styles, theologies, and movements may change, Jesus will not.

“(Pluralism) cuts out the heart of the faith, the utter uniqueness of the person and work of Jesus Christ.”  
—Chaplain's Self-Study Report

demic programs in liberal arts. In the context of the historic Christian faith” and just what the mission should mean to Hope as a whole.

“We have a very general statement regarding the Christian character of the college in the mission statement,” said Jim Bekkering, Vice President of Admissions. “When an organization's statement allows for a number of different interpretations, conversations like we've been having can be anticipated. Personally, I cherish our mission statement, but I can see

how it allows for a variety of interpretations. We need to come to terms with how we can resolve these issues, or we could be at a point that we need to define it more completely.”

The future

The next stage in the process will be full review and discussion of these reports as well as the analysis done by a Chaplain Evaluation Team, by the Hope College Board of Trustees at their October meeting.

“Some hard choices must be made,” the Chaplain's Self-Study read. “That, we believe, is the difficult task before the trustees and administration of the college.”

If you want to read the surveys for yourself:

- All copies are on closed-reserve in the Vermeulen room
- Located on the 2nd floor of the DeWitt Center, adjacent to the Provost's office

to assess the effectiveness of the Chapel Program is doing at Hope?



"I don't go. It's only time I get done-like home."

—Scott Follett



"I think that they're doing a good job considering the response of the majority of the students. If they weren't doing something for the students on this campus, people wouldn't go."

—Renata Meisner ('99)



"I was upset that the forum wasn't advertised. I didn't find out about it until after it had happened. I had no idea about the surveys either and I feel like they selected a certain group of students for it who would side with the chaplains."

—Andrea Schmidt ('99)



"I think the Chaplain staff does a really good job of discussing the issues that are pertinent to students. They present it in a matter the students can relate to. Outside of going to Chapel, I don't have any personal relationships with the chaplains or see them outside of Chapel services."

—Kate Davelaar ('00)



"I had a chance to look at the chaplain's self study and what I noticed is they are not compromising on any of their stands that caused the issues of last semester. It was unbelievable that they could blame faculty for their open-mindedness and encouraging students to think for themselves. It was very disappointing to me."

—Banu Demiralp ('00)





## SOCIOPATHIC LEANINGS

Andrew Lotz

### Thundercats Ho

I woke up this morning and realized that a 20 years of my life have already slipped away. With average lifespans in the low eighties, we as college students are 1/4 dead. We have already seen a fourth of everything that we'll ever see. A fourth of the happiness, a fourth of the love, a fourth of the wonder of life, gone. And what do we have to show for it?

Childhood is different. It wasn't called wasted, but lived to its fullest. Remember the days of Saturday morning cartoons? When your only care was that you were watching a show designed only to sell a line of toys. When you could eat a bowl of Count Chocula, or better yet Frankenberry, with whole milk rather than skim. When you could stay in your pjs until after you ate your lunch. When life didn't have any worries except that the Superfriends might be out of next year's line-up.

Now that life has already began that unstoppable slide to middle age and from there, to death, I have started getting nostalgic. But my nostalgia feels alone and adrift in a strange world. Saturday mornings are a joke now. Live action shows like Power Rangers and that multitude of girly sitcoms on NBC crowd the morning airwaves, taking up time that was once used to the fullest. Who cares if our shows were crassly commercialized? You can't look me in the eyes and say that the Power Rangers aren't. But the commercialization didn't matter. Even though I was young enough to not worry about cholesterol, or cancer, or the stock market, or recycling, I still knew a good plot line.

And the Saturday mornings of our youth were filled with them. Ghostbusters, Thundercats, and of course, everyone's favorite, the Smurfs

were true entertainment. These plots were a child's Hemingway, Camus, or Faulkner. Today's shows are lacking acceptable plot. The Power Rangers are the Danielle Steel of Saturday morning. Everyone likes them and for the life of me I cannot see why. There was magic on that screen of our youth, a magic that might well be lost.

So I turn back to the thing that brought me that joy, my television set, seeking to find my childhood. But the search is often fruitless. True Saturday mornings are lost among featherbrained comedies on NBC, filibusters on C-SPAN, shows with that distinctive Fox titling like "World's Scariest Animals in Police Chase Crashes 3", and the sea of slop that is the Warner Brothers Network. Stations like Nickelodeon that used to be at the pinnacle of good viewing with shows like Double Dare, are now at the bottom of the barrel with Rugrats.

Yet all is not lost. Our life may be slipping gradually into the pages of history, but there is one refuge for our youth. Cartoon Network. Youth in all its glory lives there. Speed Racer still wins every race, Scooby Doo still solves the Mysteries, and the Ghostbusters still ain't afraid of no ghost.

Our only limit is that the Hope College cable provider doesn't carry this last bastion of childhood. But we can change that. I can't regain my childhood alone, but together we can do it. We can bring back Saturday morning, all day, every day. Just petition your student congress rep, call CIT, talk to an administrator, and write the Anchor. Let's get the Cartoon Network for our rooms, and live the simple, carefree Saturday morning life once again.

# Paint a Pot draws students

CARRIE ARNOLD  
staff reporter

The bright yellow polka-dot door beckons cheerfully from 8th Street. Inside Paint a Pot, it still seems like springtime, even though September is almost over. Owner Kerri Bouws ('00) is hard at work, ensuring that all the paints are full, the ceramics stocked, and there are enough brushes at each and every table.

Paint a Pot is a place where anyone can go to pick out a piece of pottery and "personalize" it by painting and designing in the colors and patterns of their choice.

While Bouws' brainchild was born on June 1, 1998, the idea for a business such as Paint a Pot began long before.

While she was on Spring Break in Key West, Bouws visited a place similar to Paint a Pot and fell in love with the idea of owning a place just like it. She came home and told her sister and fellow Paint a Pot owner Kelli Hoeksema, and the pair began to look up information on the Internet about owning a place like Paint a Pot.

"I took the information and started making phone calls to other places," Bouws said. "I had to get approval from my parents. From there, I found a building to rent, and paints, and a kiln came and I just started experimenting."

Paint a Pot has been quite a successful experiment. Although the first month started a little slow, business picked up in July and August. During a recent "College Night" special, there was a line all the way out the door.

Located at 385 8th Street, right behind Russ' Restaurant, Paint a Pot is accessible for all Hope students.

The premise of Paint a Pot is simple: a person can walk in and find a piece of pottery they would



Anchor photo by Johnathan Muenk

**Technicolor Dreams:** Paint a Pot features a wide selection of pottery to color in any way the customer desires.

like to paint. Items range from vases to picture frames, coffee mugs to teacups and saucers, candlestick holders to napkin rings, from plates to bowls. After the desired piece of pottery is selected, the next task is to decide a color scheme. With over 60 colors to choose from, the problems comes not from too few choices, but from too many. However, in case someone should get overwhelmed, a friendly staff is always ready to lend a helping hand.

Books of ideas are on the front table, and they provide that extra little nudge to get someone's creativity flowing.

Sponge painting, stencils, and stamps top off the small artistic touches a person can add to their pottery.

The pottery ranges in price from \$2 to \$40, and it is \$6 an hour to paint. The average coffee mug is \$7. All the pottery is oven and microwave-safe.

Every Tuesday morning, from

10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., is Coffee Time, and painting is half off (\$3 per hour) with coffee provided, free of charge.

Painting is also half price on Friday nights, from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Paint a Pot also has some seasonal specials. The next one will be Saturday, Oct. 17, when the only charge is pottery and the first hour of painting. Paint a Pot also has group rates for six or more people, when they can paint for \$4 an hour if they reserve the Paint a Pot party room.

"The business is very trendy," Bouws said. "As long as the trend keeps going, I'm going to go with it."

All someone needs to bring is their creativity, their smile, an open mind, a little talent with paint, and a willingness to have fun. And after a 5 to 7 day wait, they will have their very own piece of pottery to last a lifetime.

### PULL from I

even-year team had its first woman puller, and Emily makes the second.

"I look at myself as just another puller on the team, giving it my 110%," she said.

Some people go out for pull just to try it.

Some have seen it and decided it would be a fantastic experience. Emily is the same way.

"I went out because the pull is a

great tradition, and also because I want to challenge myself," she said.

There are certain times during practices, however, when Emily doesn't completely blend in.

"All of the guys yell and chant and get loud, but I usually stay a little quieter," she said. "It's more mental for me as to how I get pumped up. I guess you could say I'm a little more introverted than the

others."

The only other disadvantage of being a woman puller is the bathroom break situation. Trees along the black river just don't cut it.

"After we're finished doing laps around the track, the coaches tell us it's our last chance for a bathroom break," she said. "When the guys go out and do their thing, I just keep running."

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## IT'S ALL GREEK TO ME

Michael McCune

### Goodbye, We'll Miss You

Since I have been here at Hope, I have always wondered who the single most important person on this campus was and now I think I have finally found my answer. President Jacobson? Nope. Dean Frost? Sorry, not him either. The glue that holds this crazy puzzle known as Hope College together is Anne Baker-Gras. So what happens when someone so important decides to leave us for grander and better things? We write a tribute column, that's what.

There are so many great things that I can say about Anne that I am having a hard time finding a place to start. I could tell you about how when she gives you a smile, you know everything is going to work out. I could also mention the countless times that she stayed up with us until the wee hours of the morning with us to get projects done. Or maybe I could say that she is the hardest working, most sincere, and honest person that I have had the pleasure to work with during my lifetime.

The saddest thing about Anne's departure from our lives is that the student body as a whole does not realize what she has done for them during her service in the Student Development Office. Anybody that knows Anne can tell you that she is extremely humble and stays out of the spot light as much as possible. But that is over because, Anne, it is time for you to stand up and take a bow. Students, faculty, and staff, when you see Anne

over the next week and a half, I employ you to approach her and just say "thank you for all of your hard work, I really appreciate all that you have done." If anyone deserves that kind of treatment, it is Anne Baker-Gras.

Truthfully, I am not sure if we can ever find a replacement for Anne. I am sure there will be someone else in that tiny little office, but her work ethic and attitude can never be matched. Over her 12 years here, she has fought for the students and helped us reach levels that most thought never possible. If you ask her, she will tell you that it is the students doing all the work, but I can tell you that she pushes and inspires us to keep improving. She has taught us the meaning of the word leadership, but she has also taught us the value of cooperation and teamwork.

In another week and a half, the most important person at Hope College will be leaving us. I am deeply saddened by her decision to leave, but at the same time, I am happy for her that she has a new opportunity that will present new and fun challenges in her life. Goodbye and good luck Anne, you will always hold a special place in my heart, as well as the hundreds of other students that you have touched over the years. We will certainly miss Anne as an advisor and role model to each and everyone of us, but more importantly we will miss her as a friend.



Anchor photo courtesy Public Relations

**IN THE TRENCHES:** Anne Bakker-Gras dives right into the action to measure the outcome of the pull. Bakker-Gras was deeply involved in every student activity at Hope.

### ANNE from I

herself," said Richard Frost, Vice President of Student Development and Dean of Students. Bakker-Gras has not been a stranger to DeWitt after-hours to ensure event success.

"She was willing to put in every free minute of her life to what we needed and wanted," said Sara VanHoose ('99), president of the Pan-Hellenic Council. "The most important thing is that she was a student and knew what we needed."

Kim Richardson ('00), worked with Bakker-Gras to design the t-shirts for this year's MS dance.

"She helped me get the shirts ready so I could have them made at a discounted cost," she said. "She is very supporting to student organizations, very knowledgeable and has been a great help to the students."

Bakker-Gras knows the Hope College life well. The 1985 graduate was active with WTHS, Residential Life and the Kappa Chi So-

rority. She joined the staff as Director of Residential life in 1987. Two years later, she took the position to direct extra-curricular organizations.

Since then, she has enabled students to be good leaders.

"Anne's main goal is to help the students become good leaders and help us govern ourselves, know what resources are available to us," said Adam Hudson ('99), president of the Inter-Fraternity Council.

Anne's work with the students is seen as one of her strengths.

"This interaction between Anne and the students was not only professional but always had a strong element of being personal," Frost said.

Personal interaction with students has helped many student leaders see their potential.

"Anne has had more impact on my life than any other person I have met," said Jeff Whitmore ('99), director of Orientation and Director of Kletz Events for SAC.

"Not only has she challenged me to stretch my limits, but she opened doors for me, through Orientation and SAC, that I thought could never open. She has proven to me that I not only can come to her as a faculty member, but as a friend."

Her creative power has affected the daily workings of many organizations.

"The thing I will remember most about Anne is all of the silent battles we have had and that after all we have fought about she has become one of the people I respect the most," said Erin Overmeyer, ('99) co-director of SAC.

She will be missed by fellow faculty members as well as students.

"As a colleague I will miss her. Her legacy at Hope College is in the student lives that she has touched, the high quality of programs she has organized, and the vision which she has shaped. It was a real joy to listen to her as she talked about the excitement of students," Frost said.

## Hope proceeds to search for a new Director of Student Activities

ANDREW LOTZ  
Spotlight Editor

Filling the position of Director of Student Activities is a daunting task that the administration of Hope College is facing in the wake of Anne Bakker-Gras' resignation.

Dean of Students Richard Frost is using this opportunity to increase the already great quality of work that is done through the office of the Director of Student Activities.

"We are reviewing Anne's position to more fully understand what is needed and necessary for an incoming Director of Student Activities," said Frost. "We're not just looking for a replica of Anne. We're not hiring for a point in time, but hiring for an opportunity to grow and fit into Hope College."

It is the hopes of everyone involved in the search that the new candidate not only continue the excellent level of creativity and hard

work put into each student activity, but bring new ideas and skills to bear in the office of Student Development.

"Experience is key," Frost said.

The job of Director of Student Activities is very broad, and the search to fill that position is taking the job's breadth into account.

"The Director of Student Activities is a comprehensive job," Frost said. "Anne's structuring [of the student activities] was very complex, SAC in particular."

Because of the complicated nature of many of Hope's student activities, there are many possibilities for their direction. Ideas like and increased responsibility for faculty advisors or a creation of multiple coordination jobs are being examined by Frost and the student body, which will play a large role in the selection process.

Although the final decision is ultimately up to Dean Frost, he is

looking for as much student involvement as possible.

"It's a collective decision," Frost said. "We're talking to major student leaders, especially in SAC and Greek Life. We are looking for a director who relates well to students. Students will be involved in the interviewing of all prospective candidates."

The administration of Hope College will begin a nation wide search for a new director in January.

"We're looking for a person with an understanding of all facets of student activities," Frost said. "It's also important that they have a commitment to the mission of Hope College. We can test that by bringing them here. The college's support of

the candidate will play a big factor."

While the students will miss Bakker-Gras, the administration is making the best of the situation, and looking fill the position of Director of Student Activities with someone that will both carry on the old traditions but also create new ones for the Hope College student body.

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## MARCH from 2

"I had written a creative essay about my past, but I felt like I still needed to do something else with it," she said. "I felt like I needed to speak. Knowing that I've been there helps me to help them. A lot of the feelings are going to be the same. And I can identify with what they are going to be going through."

Held once a year on Hope's campus, the purpose of the "Take Back the Night" march is to oppose sexual assault and violence against women. This is not to say, though, that men are not able to participate in this event. In fact, they are en-

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couraged to.

"The march is about making the world safe for everyone. Nobody wants to think it could happen to them," Trihn said. "But men think that they're less susceptible to it than women."

Although Trinh feels that this year's march was fairly usual, she does think that the attendance of both students and faculty should have been better.

"The turnout was pretty usual for the march, but I don't understand why the whole campus wasn't there," Trinh said.

## SCIENCE from 2

to enhance existing courses and develop new ones.

"The money is sort of the dessert," Gentile said. "(The award) validates the idea of science education, and it validates it for the students, faculty, and community."

The award also strengthens the Hope's desire for a new science

building.

The college is currently at the beginning of a major fund-raising effort and has been interviewing architects.

"It's something that is important to look at, but it's also something that is just getting started," Jacobson said.

## PARKING from 2

changes each year and the board has not been set up yet this year. But students who get tickets for illegal parking can pick up an Appeal form from Public Safety, which explains to the Appeals Board why they should not get a ticket.

Violence late at night in the parking lots are also a concern of Public Safety.

"So far we haven't had many complaints from students," Terpstra said.

To prevent such problems, Public Safety has installed phones in the farthest away parking lots. The lot on Fifteenth Street, the lot behind Peale Science Center, and the Hayworth lot behind Dykstra all have Code Blues.

Lot F also has a phone, but it is not a Code Blue.

From these phones, students can dial a shuttle van, or in case of an emergency, call directly to Public Safety.

The lot, however, may not solve everyone's problems.

"It's really hard to find parking by Lubbers," said Katie Cindric ('99). The lot resulted from much decision making.

"It was a pleasant surprise on my part that the college agreed to put it there," Terpstra said.

The easiest way to ease parking problems may be to do away with freshmen parking.

"We made an attempt to do away with it totally," Terpstra said, "but

the college wasn't in favor of it. It's a nice selling point for Hope College."

Since Hope College turned the idea down, Public Safety has been coming up with other ways to discourage freshmen from bringing their cars.

Before the '97-'98 school year, a letter was sent out to all the freshmen strongly discouraging them from bringing their cars. This year, it was also decided to raise the parking permit price for freshmen. Freshmen pay \$100 while all others pay \$60.

"[It was] in order to discourage to some extent freshmen from bringing vehicles on campus; it was very necessary," Terpstra said.

## DAY from 2

The game began at 1:30 p.m. with Holland Mayor Albert H. McGeehan welcoming all to the stadium. He also issued a proclamation extending a "Hand of Friendship" to Hope College President John and Jan Jacobson.

"As president of Hope College, I

think it's wonderful that we can affirm the wonderful relationship between Hope and Holland on this day," Jacobson said.

President John Jacobson also presented a Board of Trustees Distinguished Service Award to Michael Walton Sr. Owner of

"Holland's Hometown Station," WHTC during the halftime show. WHTC marked its golden anniversary on July 31, exactly 50 years from the day in 1948 when its made its premiere broadcast.

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**ON HER TAIL:** Hope soccer player Tina Gill ('99) looks to track down an opposing Kalamazoo player in their league game yesterday. The Flying Dutch lost 5-0.

## Hope drops second MIAA game

**CHRIS WINKLER**  
staff reporter

There is no doubt in the minds of the Hope women's soccer team who one of the top teams in the Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association is: Kalamazoo College.

The Flying Dutch fell to the Hornets Tuesday afternoon, 5-0. The road does not get any easier as Hope, 6-4-0 overall, 0-2-0 in the MIAA, travels to Calvin on Saturday, Oct. 3.

"We knew Kalamazoo was a strong, quick team coming into the game," said head coach Paul Rosenbrook. "They are very skilled, have a strong program, and we knew we had our hands full."

The Flying Dutch held off the Hornet attack for the first 20 minutes. After leading scorer Gretchen Schoon ('99) nearly scored coming off a mid-field pass by Tina Gill ('99) in the 18th minute, Kalamazoo countered with two goals in the next five minutes. Another header found its way into the

net in the 45th minute, sending the Flying Dutch to the locker room at halftime down 3-0.

More scoring chances arose for Hope in the second half, but the team could not convert. Kalamazoo, 9-1-0, 2-0-0 in the league, out-shot the Flying Dutch 17-13, and were in control of the ball for the majority of the first half.

"I thought we played better in some respects," said Rosenbrook, in reference to Saturday's 3-1 loss to Olivet. "But we took a step down in other areas."

"Our emotion was very good in the first few minutes, but Kalamazoo is a very opportunistic team and we gave them far too many opportunities," he said.

The team is still feeling the effects of the loss of Melody Morscheck ('99), who last season tied the Hope single season scoring record with 19 goals, and went down early this year with a torn anterior cruciate ligament and

miniscus cartilage.

"Since that loss, we are still trying to find our identity up front," Rosenbrook said of Morscheck's injury. "Someone has to step up and assume the role of goal scorer, and it could be anyone."

Team members agree that Hope needs to step up to continue the improvement that came with last season's record 13 victories.

"I told them before this match that we needed to play better," said Gretchen Schoon ('99). "I feel we did that, but we obviously need to put more things together."

Schoon leads the team in scoring this season, with nine goals and two assists. Tina Gill ('99) has three goals and six assists. Goalkeeper Kate Berghorst ('00) has made 70 saves, while allowing 18 goals.

And now comes the test of Calvin, Saturday at noon.

"If we play with the heart we did today and with more precision, we have a very good chance of beating them," Schoon said.

## Men's golf battles with Olivet for league

**PAT STEGEMAN**  
staff reporter

Head coach Bob Ebels believes that the potential to be atop of the Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association is within his grasp.

Ebels, in his eighth campaign of coaching the men's golf program has gradually improved his team as time goes by.

"Right now we look like a lock

for second in the league this year, unless we can shoot extremely well in our last three meets," Ebels said. He knows that his team can play better and hopes down the stretch they will saddle up and play hard.

The team returns 6 out of 8 players from last

year's squad and they are very young. They are Mark Piersma ('99), Ben Fellows ('00), Josh Wheeler ('00), Mike Evans ('01), Mike Feyen ('01), and Andy Nietring ('01). The other two newcomers are quite talented in their own respects. Chris Rutan ('01), who is shooting on average 76.4 and freshman sensation Eric Wohfield, who was the top high school golfer in the state last year.

"Mark Piersma, Chris Rutan, and Eric Wohfield have been playing well lately, as well as the rest of the team," Ebels said. "We have won one match, tied one, and 3 have been won by Olivet."

Ben Fellows ('00), is the captain and Nietring ('01), is an all MIAA second team returnee, who averaged 79.5 strokes a round last year. "Our senior Mark Piersma has been

leading us lately and hopefully we can continue to build on his leadership the rest of this year and next," Fellows said. Last year the men finished second in the conference, behind Olivet.

The season consists of 8 matches, in which every team hosts one match at their respective course. After five matches the team is currently 2nd, 27 strokes behind Olivet.

**“Right now we look like a lock for second in the league this year, unless we can shoot extremely well our last three meets.”**

**—Bob Ebels**  
Men's Golf coach  
Worthy Person

Last Tuesday the team played at Defiance, Hope lost by three strokes to Olivet, shooting overall a 367. Leading the way was Mark Piersma with a 68, and freshman Eric Wohfield shot a 70.

This past Saturday at Alma, the team finished 15 strokes behind,

which was good for second again next to Olivet. Leading the way was Eric Wohfield with a 70 and Andy Nietring with a 75.

Lately our team has been struggling with some inconsistent play, but as year has been good," team captain Fellows said. "We are a young, motivated group with a lot of potential, hopefully we can construct a building block and move on from here."

The team has three events left Pine River, Calvin, and Kalamazoo. Hope hosted their home tournament at Wuskowhan Player's Club Monday, and they lost to Olivet by nine strokes.

"We have an enormous amount of potential and if we can pull a few strings together we could compete with Olivet for the top," freshman standout Eric Wohfield said.

### Upcoming sports

**Today**  
Women's Golf @ St. Mary's  
2 p.m.  
Men's Soccer @ Alma  
4 p.m.

**Friday**  
Men's Golf @ Aquinas  
9 a.m.  
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**Saturday**  
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Women's Soccer @ Calvin  
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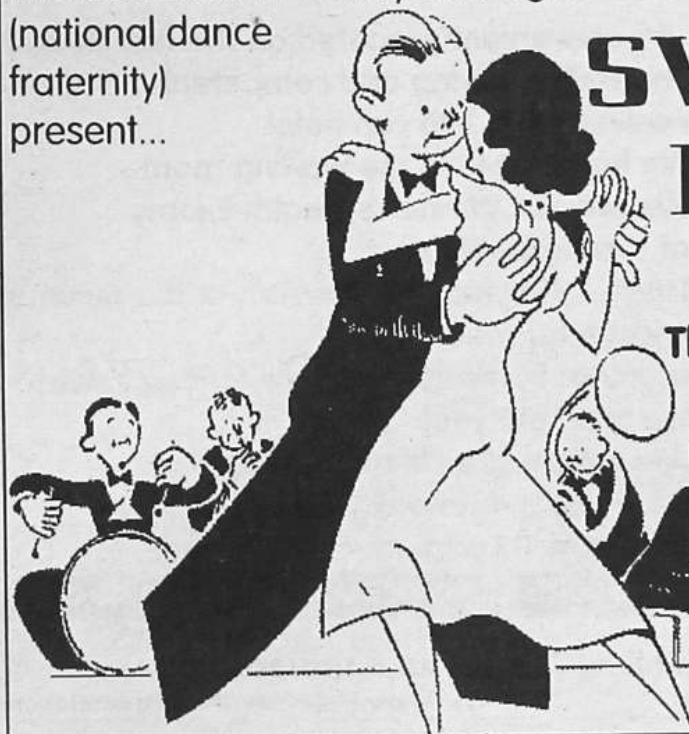
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# Ranked volleyball falls to Calvin

**CRAIG KOPAS**  
staff reporter

Although the Hope College volleyball team stands alone atop the Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association volleyball standings with a record of 7-1 and are ranked sixth in the country, they cannot afford to set their sights too far ahead just yet.

Calvin College sent a wake-up call to the Flying Dutch last Saturday by beating them in four hard-fought matches: 15-13, 9-15, 15-13, 16-14. By doing so, Calvin closed the gap in the conference standings and now occupies second place with a 6-1 record.

It was the first conference loss in two years for the Flying Dutch, and its impact did not go unnoticed by head coach Maureen Odland.

"It was a tough loss at the time. It was very difficult to take. We made more mistakes than we usually make, but I know we will learn from it," said Odland.

Earlier in the evening, Hope gained a four-game victory over Defiance by winning 15-10, 14-16, 15-4, 15-10. The loss to Calvin snapped Hope's 20-game MIAA

winning streak which dated back to the 1996 season.

Despite the loss to Calvin, Hope now has a 16-2 overall record, and are the top-ranked team in the Great Lakes Region.

Although this year's team returns only two starters from a team that went 28-4 overall last year, the team has a solid nucleus of returning players who have just stepped right in and played well.

Tri-captains Becky Schmidt ('99), Heather Velting ('99), and Kristi Langland ('99) are looking forward to having another opportunity to take tile team back to tile National Collegiate Athletic Association Tournament this fall.

Schmidt was the MIAA's most valuable player in 1997, and Velting was named to the All-MIAA first team. Both players were named to the All-Region team.

Other players have accepted new roles on the team and have also stepped up their play. Jennifer Gerig ('01) was named Co-MIAA Player of the week last week, while Jill Harkema ('00) and Kim Grotenhuis ('01) have rotated at the setter position.

"This year's team lacks the ex-



Anchor photo by Johnathan Muenk

**HITTING INTO A WALL:** A home crowd watches as a Kalamazoo player hits the ball into Amy Brower ('01) and Kristi Langland ('99) while teammates Jill Harkema ('00) and Jennifer Gerig ('01) watch.

perience of last year's, but we are working to get to that point," said Kim Grotenhuis ('01). "We have a lot of work to do to get where we want to be."

This Friday, the Flying Dutch will have a good chance to see how that hard work is paying off as they travel to Wittenberg University for

a round-robin weekend tournament. They will open with a match against Washington University, Mo., the number-one ranked team in the nation.

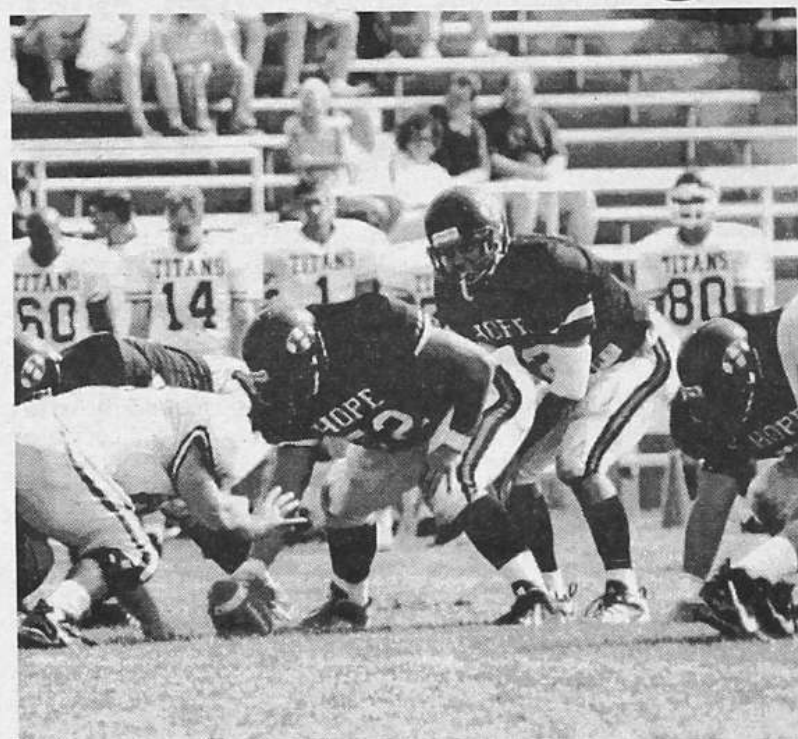
After that, they will face Ohio Northern, who beat Hope in the first round of the NCAA tournament last year. Odland anticipates it will be a

challenge, but one that lets the team know whether they can play at that level of competition.

"That is our goal (to repeat as MIAA champions)," said Odland.

"They are a great group of girls who give 110%. If they keep fighting hard, they have potential to go far," she said.

# Football has rough home opener against the Titans



**MIKE ZUIDEMA**  
editor-in-chief

The Hope College football team struck first and struck last, but what happened in between ultimately determined the fate of Saturday's football game.

The Flying Dutchmen, before 3,300 Community Day fans, dropped to 1-2 on the season thanks to a 42-17 loss to Illinois Wesleyan.

Hope was able to strike first, as J.D. Graves ('01) nailed his first collegiate field goal. Hope's defense was able to hold on and take that lead into the second quarter. Where Illinois Wesleyan was able to take advantage of their size and passing game.

The 25th-ranked Titans scored three unanswered touchdowns to take a 22-3 halftime lead.

With an offensive line that averaged 290 pounds, Illinois Wesleyan was able to wear down the Flying

Dutchmen in the second half. With 73-yard interception return, Hope found themselves down 29-3 midway through the second quarter.

"Our defense was down. We have been struggling and I thought our defense would be stronger," said head coach Dean Kreps. "They beat us in every facet of the game."

While the defense was unable to prevent the Titans from finding the end zone, the Hope offense was equally having trouble with the Illinois Wesleyan defense.

Hope could only muster 205 net yard, and only 43 rushing yards. After rushing for over 100 yards in consecutive games, Marty Gravelyn ('99) was held to just nine yards on 16 carries.

"When we can't run off-tackle or run our sweep, it's going to be a long day, and it was," Kreps said.

Quarterback Justin Woormeester ('99) connected on 12 of 29 passes for 131 yards and a touchdown pass.

Hope was able to strike back with a 42-yard touchdown pass to Matt Handzo ('00). Peter Kellepourey ('00) scored from 10 yards out for the final Hope points.

Illinois Wesleyan racked up 484 yards total, including 276 yards passing.

"We missed tackles, and our defense rarely misses tackles," Kreps said. "We threw balls over receivers heads; we found every way in the world to beat ourselves."

Hope now faces a bye week before opening their Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association season, hosting Kalamazoo at 2 p.m. at Holland Municipal Stadium.

"It's never as bad as you think it is," Kreps said. "Maybe it will be this week."

"We need all the practice we can get," he said. "I still think we're better than that. I know we're better than that."

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**READY DOWN:** Hope quarterback Justin Woormeester ('99) barks out the call in the Flying Dutchmen's 42-17 loss to Illinois Wesleyan, Saturday.

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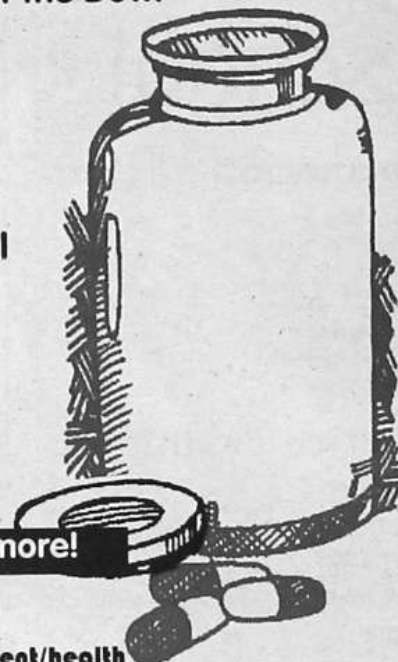
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